GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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NEW HELICOPTERS FOR PAWAN HANS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to acquire new helicopters for Pawan Hans;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of funds allocated for the said purpose during the current financial year;

(d) the number of existing helicopters of Pawan Hans; and

(e) the details of the profit of Pawan Hans during 2005 - 06 and 2006 -07 so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir, Pawan Hans Helicopters Limited (PHHL) has plans to acquire 20 helicopters during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period.

(c): An amount of Rs. 190.00 crores has been earmarked for the purpose by PHHL.

(d): At present PHHL has a fleet of 33 helicopters.

(e): The profit acquired by PHHL after tax during 2005-06 and 2006-07 is Rs. 47.39 crores and Rs. 50.75 crores (provisional) respectively.